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OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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BEFORE: DAVID R. CATANACH, CHAIRPERSON  
ROBERT S. BALCH, COMMISSIONER  
PATRICK PADILLA, COMMISSIONER  
BILL BRANCARD, ESQ.

This matter came on for hearing before the  
New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission on Thursday,  
September 10, 2015, at the New Mexico Energy, Minerals,  
and Natural Resources Department, Wendell Chino  
Building, 1220 South St. Francis Drive, Porter Hall,  
Room 102, Santa Fe, New Mexico.

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1 (Time noted 9:18 a.m.)

2 CHAIRPERSON CATANACH: Good morning. This  
3 is a meeting of the New Mexico Oil Conservation  
4 Commission. My name is David Catanach. I am the  
5 chairman of the Commission. The time is approximately  
6 9:18 a.m. on September 10, 2015.

7 This meeting is being conducted in Porter  
8 Hall within the Wendell Chino State Building.

9 I'll take roll at this time. Will the  
10 Commissioners please introduce themselves.

11 COMMISSIONER PADILLA: Patrick Padilla for  
12 the New Mexico State Land Commissioner.

13 COMMISSIONER BALCH: Dr. Robert Balch,  
14 designated the Energy, Minerals, and Natural Resources  
15 Secretary.

16 CHAIRPERSON CATANACH: Also present today is  
17 Mr. Bill Brancard, the Commission attorney and general  
18 counsel of the Energy, Minerals, and Natural Resources  
19 Department.

20 Commissioners, in your packet you should  
21 have a copy of the agenda for today's meeting. Have you  
22 reviewed the agenda and can I have a motion to adopt the  
23 agenda?

24 COMMISSIONER PADILLA: So moved.

25 CHAIRPERSON CATANACH: All in favor.

1 (In Unison "Aye.")

2 CHAIRPERSON CATANACH: Also in your packet  
3 are draft minutes from the August 13th Commission  
4 meeting. Commissioners, if you don't have any changes,  
5 is there a motion and a second to adopt the minutes?

6 COMMISSIONER BALCH: I'll motion to adopt  
7 the minutes.

8 COMMISSIONER PADILLA: I'll second.

9 CHAIRPERSON CATANACH: All in favor.

10 (In Unison "Aye".)

11 CHAIRPERSON CATANACH: The minutes are  
12 hereby approved.

13 CHAIRPERSON CATANACH: Let me go ahead and  
14 call the continuances on this docket at this time.

15 Case No. 15281, which is the application of  
16 COG Operating for a nonstandard spacing and proration  
17 unit and compulsory pooling, is continued to  
18 December 10, 2015.

19 Case 15282, which is also the application of  
20 COG Operating for a nonstandard spacing and proration  
21 unit and compulsory pooling, is continued to  
22 December 10, 2015.

23 Case 15283, which is also an application of  
24 COG Operating, is continued to 12/10/2015. And case  
25 15327, which is an additional application of COG

1 Operating, LLC, is continued to October 8th, 2015.

2 We also have an additional case on the  
3 docket, Case 15193, which is the application of Frontier  
4 Field Services for authorization to inject. It appears  
5 that that case will be continued -- well, not continued  
6 but that case will be heard tomorrow, since it appears  
7 we probably won't have time today to hear that case.

8 MR. BRANCARD: The parties have been  
9 informed that case is scheduled for 9:00 a.m. tomorrow.  
10 And it should be done hopefully in 45 minutes.

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13 (Time noted 9:20 a.m.)

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 11 10, 2015, the proceedings in the above-captioned matter  
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 15 the best of my ability and control.

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 21 disposition of this case in any court.

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